

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows. Please cancel claims 1-25, 28, and 29 without prejudice or disclaimer.

1-25. CANCELLED

26-27. PREVIOUSLY CANCELLED

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30. (Previously Added) A process for the manufacturing of a decorative surface element, which element comprises a base layer and a decorative upper surface, the process comprising,

- i) selecting a digitized design at a first location;
- ii) transmitting the digitized design to a second location, remote from the first location;
- iii) providing the decorative upper surface with a decor layer, the decor layer comprising a pattern, the pattern being derived from the digitized design;
- iv) printing a wetting repellent lacquer in a predetermined pattern on the decorative upper surface, at least partially matching the pattern on the decor layer, the wetting repellent covering only part of the decorative upper surface, and thereafter
- v) applying a wear layer of a UV or electron beam curing lacquer on top of the decorative upper surface, which UV or electron beam curing lacquer is repelled from the part of the surface being covered by the wetting repellent lacquer whereby a surface feature is achieved.

31. (Previously Added) A process according to claim 30, wherein the transmitting comprises sending the digitized design via a computer network.

32. (Previously Added) A process according to claim 31, wherein the computer network is the Internet.

33. (Previously Added) A process according to claim 30, wherein the digitized design is selected from a database of selectable designs.

34. (Previously Added) A process according to claim 30, further comprising digitizing an image to achieve the design.

35. (Previously Added) A process for the manufacturing of a decorative surface, which surface comprises a plurality of surface elements, each surface element comprising a base layer and a decorative upper surface having a surface area, the process comprising,

- i) selecting a design at a first location, wherein the design has a size larger than the surface area of each surface element;
- ii) dividing the design into a plurality of segments, each segment having a surface area corresponding to the surface area of one of the surface elements;
- iii) providing the decorative upper surfaces with decor layers, the decor layers each comprising one segment of the design, such that when the surface elements are installed, the design is reproduced across the plurality of surface elements.

36. (Previously Added) A process according to claim 35, further comprising;

- iv) printing a wetting repellent lacquer in a predetermined pattern on the decorative upper surfaces, at least partially matching the segments on the decor layers, the wetting repellent covering only part of the decorative upper surface, and thereafter
- v) applying a wear layer of a UV or electron beam curing lacquer on top of the decorative upper surfaces, which UV or electron beam curing lacquer is repelled from the part of the surface being covered by the wetting repellent lacquer whereby a surface feature is achieved.

37. (Previously Added) A process according to claim 35, further comprising:

- iv) providing each surface element with at least one of a matching line and a unique identification to assist in installation.

38. (Previously Added) A process for the manufacturing of a decorative surface element, which element comprises a base layer and a decorative upper surface, the process comprising,

- i) selecting a digitized design at a first location;
- ii) transmitting the digitized design via the Internet to a second location; and
- iii) providing the decorative upper surface with a decor layer, the decor layer comprising a pattern, the pattern being derived from the digitized design.